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## REPORTS INCREASED PARTISAN ACTIVITY

DISCUSSES PARTISAN ACTION IN TRANSYLVANIA -- Munich, Hungaria, 3 Nov 50

During the winter of 1949, white partisans based in the impenetrable Erdos-Karpatok raided the valleys at the foot of the Carpathian mountains, damaging railroad tracks and disrupting highway traffic. Because of the severity of the winter. partisan bands operating independently were forced to unite. After the partisans had suffered prolonged and heavy losses to Soviet forces, MVD paratroops neutral ed partisan action.

Before spring, survivors of the band had left the Carpathians and had assembled in Volhynia and in the Pripet marshes of Poland. By summer, their number was increased considerably by local anti-Bolshevik elements, Hungarian and German officers and soldiers escaping from Soviet labor camps, escaped or liberated prisoners of war, and Hungarians, Ruthenians, Gallician Poles, and Ukranians living at the foot of the Carpathian mountains. Armed with Soviet weapons seized in raids, the unified band proceeded to attack shipments of Soviet war materiel in eastern Poland.

When Eastern Poland got too hot for comfort, the white partisans recrossed the Carpathian foothills toward the southeast and arrived in the northern mountains of Transylvania in September. Here they were joined by scattered bands of Hungarian and Rumanian partisans, extending the white partisan network across all of Transylvania.

Virtually every Soviet-suppressed country is represented in the ranks of the white partisans, and they will be called United Europe's forces fighting for freedom behind the Iron Curtain. At present, the white partisans are operating in four areas. Chiefly Rumanian units are operating in the Campulung region of the southeastern Carpathian under former Rumanian gendarme Major Arzeneasa. Partisans in Krasso-Szoreny and Hunyad counties, where heavy industrial installations and mines are the main targets, are heavily supported by the miners of Petrozseny and Lupeny and the steel workers of Resican. Partisan forces of the Radna mountains in the Bukovina Carpathian range are the most varied, consisting mainly of Poles and Ruthenians, and few Hungarians and Rumanians. The focal point of Hungarian resistance is the forests of the eastern Carpathians and Szekely.

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A fifth area of resistance, also under Hungarian direction, is developing in the Szilagysag. Since it is almost impossible to pass the Iron Curtain into the Western countries, many deserters, political fugitives, and peasants are joining the partisans fighting in Transylvania. The number of these fugitives has reached such proportions that it has come to the attention of the State Security Authority, and it is certain that Hungary will soon be closed off from Transylvania by an Iron Curtain similar to those along the southern and western borders.

DRAFT DODGING CONTINUES DESPITE SEVERE PENALTIES -- Munich, Hungaria, 10 Nov 50

It is reported from Vienna that an unusual innovation was introduced in the induction of 20- and 21-year-olds in September. At the time of the preinduction examination -- which all but the blind and the lame passed -- the recruits were told to report to certain units and stations by 15 October, and were informed of the penalites for failing to appear or being late. The recruits then signed statements acknowledging the order, and immediately received transportation provisions from their homes to their future stations.

In spite of the severe penalites for draft dolging, a relatively large number of youths still have not reported for service. These are either in hiding, are leaving the country, or, more recently, are joining the white partisans fighting in the mountains of Transylvania.

The large-scale induction of youths is proving a hindrance to the program to replace worn-out manpower with newly trained "youth cadres." Therefore, 16-19 year-olds are being brought into the industrial training program to replace those leaving for military service.

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